

RESOLUTION LC.49(16)
adopted on 12 November 1993

AMENDMENTS TO THE ANNEXES TO THE CONVENTION ON THE PREVENTION OF
MARINE POLLUTION BY DUMPING OF WASTES AND OTHER MATTER, 1972
CONCERNING PHASING OUT SEA DISPOSAL OF INDUSTRIAL WASTE

THE SIXTEENTH CONSULTATIVE MEETING,

RECALLING articles I and II of the Convention on the Prevention of Marine Pollution by Dumping of Wastes and Other Matter which state, inter alia, that Contracting Parties shall individually and collectively promote the effective control of all sources of pollution of the marine environment and that they shall harmonize their policies to prevent marine pollution caused by dumping,

RECOGNIZING the commitment of Contracting Parties under article IX of the Convention in respect of technical assistance,

NOTING in this regard the undertaking reached by UNCED, Agenda 21, chapter 34.14(b) on "Transfer of environmentally sound technology, co-operation and capacity-building",

RECALLING ALSO resolution LDC.43(13) by which Contracting Parties agreed, inter alia, that the dumping of industrial waste at sea would cease by 31 December 1995 at the latest and that they should endeavour to adopt individual or regional commitments to cease dumping of industrial waste before 31 December 1995,

RECALLING FURTHER resolution LDC.44(14) on the application of a precautionary approach in environmental protection within the framework of the London Convention 1972,

NOTING ALSO that several Contracting Parties, individually or under regional agreements covering the dumping of wastes, have already phased out sea disposal of industrial waste,

WELCOMING the efforts undertaken within the framework of other conventions in order to develop and adopt technical guidelines for the environmentally sound management of hazardous wastes on land,

RECALLING the encouragement by UNCED, Agenda 21, chapter 17.30(b)(ii) to the Contracting Parties to take appropriate steps to stop ocean dumping of hazardous substances,

REAFFIRMING the agreement that Contracting Parties commit themselves to take all necessary steps to enable all Contracting Parties to comply with phasing out of sea disposal of industrial waste, including the promotion of technical assistance to this end taking into account the outcome of the Global Waste Survey,